

anchor in Catalina for safety, and to prosecute the sealing voyage from that port. Dr. Tocque gives the following very interesting information regarding the seals coming ashore near Bonavista: "Many years ago, when the seals came to the shore at Bonavista, the jam or pack of ice was so great, that failing to find any holes they crawled ashore on an island. They were discovered there a few weeks later and 1500 of them were slaughtered among the bushes."

Bonavista Lighthouse and Fog Alarm.

One of the most romantic spots of Bonavista is the Cape, with its lighthouse and fog alarm. Previous to 1835 there was only one lighthouse in the Colony. That year Cape Spear and Harbor Grace were added. In 1841 the dangerous Cape of Bonavista was decorated with one of these light-giving and life-saving institutions, which are now to be found at intervals all around the coast. Bonavista was the fourth in order to receive its lighthouse. A visit there and a climb up and down the steps which lead to and from the lighthouse and the fog alarm is most enjoyable and exhilarating. There are some 300 steps or more.

The Whipping Post.

In 1754 Bonavista had an institution known as the "Whipping Post," where lawless people were punished as an example to others. At that time there was no clergyman, no day schools, and the world had not heard of the renowned Robert Raikes or the Sunday School institution as we know it to-day.

Pedley in his "History of Newfoundland" tells of one Joseph Batt being sentenced to receive fifteen lashes for stealing a pair of shoes and buckles valued at seven shillings and sixpence. Having brought him to the whipping post he was seized by the mob who said he should not be whipped. But the Magistrate persevered and the law was carried out with the utmost rigour. The mob then demanded that the plaintiff should be whipped. This motion was not carried. But the men of Bonavista had their revenge, they thought, when a few days later they assailed the offensive whipping post, tearing out the obnoxious irons to which they were